

## House Resolution 1200

By: Representatives Benfield of the 85<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 70<sup>th</sup>, Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>, Henson of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Jamieson of the 28<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 6, 2008, as "Girls and Women in Sports Day"; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, "Girls and Women in Sports Day" falls on February 6, 2008, and its purpose  
3 is to recognize women and girls in sports across Georgia, to celebrate the outstanding  
4 achievements of female athletes, and to direct attention to the unique issues facing females  
5 in sports; and

6 WHEREAS, the girls and women of Georgia have always been winners in their athletic  
7 endeavors on the sports fields and arenas across Georgia and the globe; and

8 WHEREAS, many groups and individuals have worked tirelessly to promote and enhance  
9 opportunities for female athletes in Georgia's schools and communities; and

10 WHEREAS, the number of women, young and old, competing in athletic events continues  
11 to grow, and Georgia's women continue to shine in their athletic performances, most recently  
12 for all to see at the 2003 women's Final Four in Atlanta; and

13 WHEREAS, the entire State of Georgia is proud of its female athletes, both past and present,  
14 and is grateful for the reflected glory; and

15 WHEREAS, it has been proven that participation in athletics strengthens the self-esteem as  
16 well as health of Georgia's girls and women and enhances their ability to lead full lives and  
17 to contribute to their community and family; and

18 WHEREAS, in connection with "Girls and Women in Sports Day," the most outstanding  
19 female high school and college athletes in Georgia during the past year will be named and  
20 honored; and

1 WHEREAS, in order to commend and honor Georgia's female athletes, the state will  
2 recognize February 6, 2008, as "Girls and Women in Sports Day."

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
4 this body recognizes February 6, 2008, as "Girls and Women in Sports Day" and commends  
5 and congratulates all the girls and women in Georgia who participate in sports and achieve  
6 so much in the world of athletics.